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FROM

Assistant Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT

: S. 1410, Force Reductions

- 1. S. 1410 is yet another in a parade of bills, led off by the "Leach" amendment to the Civil Service Act of 1978, which would reduce (by attrition in this case) the Federal civilian work force over a period of years. This bill serves to augment the Leach amendment as it begins where "Leach" left off. (U/IUO)
- 2. The bill calls for apportioned reductions amongst the several executive branch agencies. However, subsection (d)(1) exempts this Agency, the FBI, NSA and VA health care facilities from the apportioning.

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3. Your comments, if any, should be directed to the undersigned within a reasonable time. (U/IUO)

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96TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 1410

To reduce permanently the level of the Federal civilian work force.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

June 26 (legislative day, June 21), 1979

Mr. Roth introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

To reduce permanently the level of the Federal civilian work force

	iorce.
1	Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2	tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3	That (a) subject to subsection (b) and section 3, the civilian
4	work force of the executive branch of the Government-
5	(1) on September 30, 1980, shall not exceed 98
6	percent of the 1977 civilian work force of such branch,
7	(2) on September 30, 1981, shall not exceed 96
8	percent of the 1977 civilian work force of such branch,
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percent of the 1977 civilian work force of such 1

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- 1 (4) on September 30, 1983, shall not exceed 92 2 percent of the 1977 civilian work force of such branch.
- 3 (5) on September 30, 1984, and on each Septem-4 ber 30 thereafter, shall not exceed 90 percent of the
- 5 1977 civilian work force of such branch,
- 6 (b)(1) Any work force reductions necessary in order to 7 comply with subsection (a) shall be made by attrition.
- 8 (2) No more than 15 percent of the positions involved in 9 work force reductions made in any 12-month period in order 10 to comply with subsection (a) shall be positions for which the 11 rate of pay is less than or equal to the minimum rate of basic 12 pay payable for GS-5 of the General Schedule.
- 13 (e) Subject to subsection (d), the President shall, with 14 respect to positions in the executive branch of the Govern-15 ment—

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- (1) take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that any work force reductions necessary in order to comply with the requirements of the first section of this Act are apportioned among each of the agencies of such branch in a manner consistent with the relative size of the work force of each such agency, and
 - (2) prescribe regulations to carry out the purpose of the first section of this Act, including regulations to ensure that no increase in the procurement of personal













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- services by contract occurs by reason of the enactment
- 2 of this Act.
- 3 (d)(1) Subsection (c)(1) shall not apply with respect to
- 4 the Central Intelligence Agency, the Federal Bureau of In-
- 5 vestigation, the National Security Agency, or any health care
- 6 facility directly operated by the Veterans' Administration.
- 7 (2) Any work force reductions which may be prescribed
- 8 under subsection (c)(1) to be made in any agency of the ex-
- 9 ecutive branch of the Government shall be made with respect
- 10 to such positions as the head of such agency designates.
- (e) Subsection (a) shall be effective notwithstanding any
- 12 provision of section 311 of the Civil Service Reform Act of
- 13 1978 (92 Stat. 1153).
- 14 SEC. 2. (a) Subject to subsection (b) and section 3, be-
- 15 ginning on October 1, 1980, work force reductions with re-
- 16 spect to positions in the legislative branch of the Government
- 17 shall be commensurate with those prescribed in the first sec-
- 18 tion of this Act for the executive branch of the Government.
- 19 (b) Any work force reductions necessary in order to
- 20 comply with subsection (a) shall be made by attrition unless
- 21 attrition alone is insufficient to satisfy the requirements of
- 22 such subsection.
- (c) Work force reductions made in order to comply with
- 24 subsection (a) shall be made with respect to such positions as
- 25 are designated by such entity (representing both major politi-Approved For Release 2002/08/15: CIA-RDP85-00759R000100190010-5













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- 1 cal parties equally) as the Congress shall by concurrent reso-
- 2 lution prescribe.
- 3 SEC. 3. (a) The preceding provisions of this Act shall
- 4 not apply during a time of war, or during a period of national
- 5 emergency, declared by the Congress or the President.
- 6 (b) For purposes of the preceding provisions of this Act,
- 7 the position of an individual employed on a part-time career
- 8 employment basis shall be counted as a fraction, the size of
- 9 which is determined by dividing 40 hours into the average
- 10 number of hours of the regularly scheduled workweek of such
- 11 individual.
- 12 Sec. 4. Not later than January 20, 1981, and January
- 13 20 of each year thereafter, the Director of the Office of Man-
- 14 agement and Budget shall submit to the Congress a report
- 15 indicating the changes in the level of the Federal civilian
- 16 work force of the executive branch of the Government made
- 17 during the previous 12-month period pursuant to this Act.
- 18 Sec. 5. Not later than January 1, 1983, the Director of
- 19 the Federal Judicial Center shall submit to the Congress rec-
- 20 ommendations as to how reductions commensurate with
- 21 those prescribed in the first section of this Act for the execu-
- 22 tive branch of the Government might be made among the
- 23 offices, agencies, and other establishments of the judicial
- 24 branch of the Government to assure the least impairment to

















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1	the capacity of the Federal courts to handle the volume of
2	cases filed in such courts.
3	SEC. 6. For purposes of this Act—
4	(1) the term "civilian work force", when used
5	with respect to any branch of the Government, means
6	the total number of persons employed by all agencies
7	of such branch,
8	(2) the term "1977 civilian work force", when
9	used with respect to any branch of the Government,
10	means the civilian work force (as defined in paragraph
11	(1)) of such branch on September 30, 1977.
12	(3) the term "agency"—
13	(A) when used with respect to the executive
14	branch of the Government, means each executive
15	agency, as such term is defined by section 105 of
16	title 5, United States Code, except that such term
17	does not include the United States Postal Service
18	or the Postal Rate Commission, and
19	(B) when used with respect to the legislative
20	branch of the Government, means each office,
21	agency, or other establishment in such branch,
22	and
23	(4) the term "civil service" has the meaning given
24	such term by section 2101(1) of title 5, United States
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